Attack on Army a State Subject

2795 . SHRI SATISH CHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government consider attacks on Police Personnel, Army Personnel, Army Posts, Police Stations by ISI Agents, Naxalites, Ulfa Infiltrators as a State subject;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government will take lead to develop a plan in coordination with State Governments to crub the ever-growing menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) : (a) to (c) Activities of ISI, Naxalites and militants pose a threat to internal security which is an integral part of national security. The Central Government assists the State Governments, both physically and financially, to counter such activities.

Increasing violence in J and K

2796 . SHRI ANANTA SETHI : will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the increasing violence in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the number of violent incidents that took place since 1st January till date;

(c) the number of people killed as a result thereof;

(d) the steps taken to stop such incidents and to ensure safety of the local people; and

(e) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) There have been continued efforts on the part of Pak ISI and Pro-Pak militant outfits to induct more mercenaries from across the border into J and K, with a view to escalate violence.

(b) and (c) There were 679 terrorist incidents during the period from 1st January till 31st March, 2000. The number of persons killed during the period are as below :

	Numbers
Civilians	199
Security forces killed	82
Militants killed	245

(d) and (e) The Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach to curb militancy in Jammu and Kashmir, which includes, *inter-alia*, strengthening border management, neutralising plans of the militants by pro-active action against them in the hinterland, gearing up intelligence machinery, greater functional integration through an institutional frame work of operation Groups and Intelligence Group of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology, weapons and equipments for security forces.

Steps are being taken to flush out militants and curb militant activities including close vigil on border, establishment of more naka parties in depth areas to check infiltration exfiltration, more pickets, intensive patrolling and extensive cordon and search operations.

Census in the Country

2797. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the amount sanctioned for conducting the Census 2001 in the country;

(b) the amount proposed to be sanctioned out of that to Karnataka for conducting the Census 2001;

(c) whether Enumerators have been appointed in Karnataka for this purpose; and

(d) what are the datas proposed to be collected during Census?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) : (a) The amount sanctioned for conducting the Census 2001 in the country during the financial year 2000-2001 is Rs. 543.96 crores.